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I went to the office this morning. Laurie Norstad called me and said he had [redacted] a talk with Symington before his departure last night in which Symington [redacted] told him the Senators were fully satisfied with my remarks on the EDC situation and how it was being handled.

Crosby Noyes, who has come over here to spend two years, and [redacted] has established an office for the Washington Star, came to see me. He seemed remarkably well informed on the various aspects of European unity, [redacted]

We went to Versailles for a short time this afternoon and found everything in good order.

Archduke Robert of Austria-Hungary and his wife had tea with us. He wanted to consult with me regarding American irvestments in French Africa. He works for the Banque de l'Indo-Chine and is keenly interested in effecting partnerships with American capital interests. Like all the members of his family whom I have met, he is extremely well educated and agreeable. His wife, who is a niece of the Comte de Paris, is a charming and attractive young woman. We told him also we would do all we could to help them in finding a house near Versailles.

Walter Hallstein came to dinner. He had just arrived this evening from Bonn by automobile and we discussed the Chancellor's meeting which will take place next Tuesday with Bidault on the Saar problem.

In the course of the afternoon, E. and I had gone to the Arts Menagers exhibition at the Grand Palais. This annual event always arouses extraordinary interest in Paris and the latest household gadgets are shown there in great profusion. Our main objective was the antique dealers' part of the show, which is quite rewardi

Jean Monnet telephoned me tonight and I arranged to see him tomorrow.

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